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SUBJECT: TALBOYS' EUROPEAN VISIT

1. BRIAN TALBOYS (DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF OVERSEAS TRADE) WILL BE MAKING WIDE-RANGING TRIP THROUGH WESTERN EUROPE DURING FEBRUARY. TALBOYS WILL ALSO VISIT CAIRO. TALBOYS WILL BEGIN HIS TRIP WITH VISIT TO EEC HEADQUARTERS IN BRUSSELS FEBRUARY 1. REMAINDER OF SCHEDULE, PROVIDED BY MFA, IS AS FOLLOWS:

FEBRUARY 4 - LUXEMBOURG

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FEBRUARY 5 - LONDON

FEBRUARY 10 - PARIS
FEBRUARY 12 - POSSIBLY COPENHAGEN
FEBRUARY 13 - DUBLIN
FEBRUARY 14 - LONDON
FEBRUARY 16 - ROME (POSSIBLE CALL ON THE POPE)
FEBRUARY 18 - BONN
FEBRUARY 20 - WEST BERLIN
FEBRUARY 24 - THE HAGUE
FEBRUARY 26 - CAIRO

2. IN ANNOUNCING TRIP, PRIME MINISTER MULDOON SAID NEW GOVERNMENT WANTED "TO TAKE THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO EMPHASIZE TO THE EEC GOVERNMENTS OUR DETERMINATION TO STRENGTHEN NEW ZEALAND'S RELATIONSHIP WITH WESTERN EUROPE. OUR TRADING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE EEC IS VITAL TO NEW ZEALAND. BUT MUCH MORE IS ALSO INVOLVED: THE TRADING RELATIONSHIP IS ONE ASPECT OF AN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION THAT GOES MUCH DEEPER AND WHICH CONTINUES TO BE MUTUALLY REWARDING BOTH TO EUROPE AND NEW ZEALAND."

3. SCOPE OF TALBOYS' TRIP COMBINED WITH PRIME MINISTER'S COMMENTS, EMPHASIZES IMPORTANCE NATIONAL PARTY PLACES ON ITS RELATIONS WITH EUROPE. TRADE WILL OBVIOUSLY BE MOST IMPORTANT ITEM ON AGENDA WITH TALBOYS WANTING TO OBTAIN BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF EEC PROBLEMS WHILE AT SAME TIME FOCUSING ATTENTION ON NEW ZEALAND'S NEED FOR BETTER AND MORE STABLE MARKETS.

4. CAIRO TRIP IS PART OF ON-GOING GNZ EFFORT TO IMPROVE ITS RELATIONS WITH MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES. IN ANNOUNCING VISIT, PRIME MINISTER MULDOON EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT TALBOYS OR ANOTHER SENIOR MINISTER WILL BE ABLE TO VISIT OTHER MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES LATER THIS YEAR.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: TALBOYS TRAVELLING TO BRUSSELS VIA US, ETA LOS ANGELES 1500 JANUARY 30 VIA TE556. ETD LOS ANGELES FOR BRUSSELS 1900 JANUARY 31 VIA SK934. REQUEST DEPARTMENT ARRANGE FOR APPROPRIATE COURTESIES AND FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE.
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